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TOWN *of* SALEM

ANNUAL REPORT for FISCAL
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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, OVERSEERS OF THE
POOR AND BOARD OF HEALTH

OF THE TOWN OF

SALEM, N. H.

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE

SALEM WATER BOARD, FIRE WARDENS,
BOARD OF EDUCATION AND TRUSTEES OF THE
PUBLIC LIBRARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15

1909

CONCORD, N. H.
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Town Officers, 1908.

Town Clerk.

DANIEL A. ABBOTT.

Moderator.

FRANK D. DAVIS.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.

EDWIN G. CATE,

L. HENRY BAILEY,

BENJAMIN R. WHEELER.

Treasurer.

JAMES EWINS.

Collector of Taxes.

JOHN J. HUNT.

Water Commissioners.

JAMES H. HADLEY,

HERBERT G. WOODBURY,

JAMES E. SLOAN.

Auditors.

GEORGE B. NOYES,

SILAS W. HALL,

WILLIAM H. AYER.

Highway Agents.

WILLIAM C. MORRILL,

FRANK N. EMERSON,

JOHN E. KING.

Trustees of Public Library.

LORENZO F. HYDE, DANIEL A. ABBOTT,
CLINTON L. SILVER.

Representatives to the General Court.

BENJAMIN R. WHEELER, WILLIAM R. WHEELER.

Supervisors.

JAMES H. HADLEY, ALFRED M. GARLAND,
LINCOLN H. HUNT.

Board of Health.

LEWIS F. SOULE, FRANCIS E. HIGGINS,
JOHN J. HUNT.

Fire Wardens.

DAVID S. EMERY, FRANK N. EMERSON.

Board of Education.

WILLIAM A. TURNER, SETH M. PATTEE,
CHARLES E. MERRILL.

Superintendent of Schools.

J. E. WIGNOT.

Trustees of Pine Grove Cemetery.

FRANK D. WILSON, CHARLES H. SMITH,
JAMES E. SLOAN.

Sextons.

CHARLES E. MERRILL, EDWIN G. CATE.

Tree Warden.

BENJAMIN R. WHEELER.

Town Warrant.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the town of Salem qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the town house in said Salem on the second Tuesday of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers and agents for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the year ensuing.
3. To see if the town will vote to raise any more money for the repairs of highways than the law requires.
4. To see what method the town will vote to adopt to facilitate the collection of taxes.
5. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer to hire, with the approval of the selectmen, such sums, of money as he may need for general purposes in anticipation of taxes.
7. By request. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$100 or any part thereof for the use of the Gilman E. Sleeper Post, No. 60, G. A. R., to be expended in the observance of Memorial Day in the year 1908.

8. By request. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the Salem free public library.

9. By request. To see what action the town will take in regard to instructing the selectmen to make a contract with the Salem Light, Heat and Power Co., for lighting its streets for a term of years not exceeding five, and raise the money for the same.

10. By request. To see if the town will vote to place suitable lights to light the private walk at Canobie Lake, beginning at the Flume gate, so called, going as far as the cottage of Frank P. Woodbury, for four months in each year, viz., June, July, August and September, and raise money for the same.

11. By request. To see if the town will vote to raise \$100 to repair the private way at Canobie Lake leading from Paul Hannagan's road to Frank P. Woodbury's cottage, and raise money for the same.

12. By request. To see if the town will vote to raise one thousand (\$1,000) dollars, or any part thereof, to repair the highway known as Policy Street with good gravel.

13. By request. To see if the town will vote to macadamize the road known as Policy Street, commencing at the foot of the hill at the stone house and extending to the corner of the Flume Road, at land of Frank Davis, and raise money for the same.

14. By request. To see if the town will vote to macadamize a portion of its highway commencing at Policy Brook on Pleasant Street, thence to Main Street in said town, and raise money for the same.

15. By request. To see if the town will vote to improve

its highway leading from Main Street to residence of Bert A. Drummond and raise money for the same.

16. By request. To see what action the town will take to celebrate Old Home Week and raise money for the same.

17. By request. To see if the town will raise the sum of two hundred and fifty (\$250) dollars, or any part thereof, for the purpose of issuing an appendix to the town history, and choose a committee to carry the same into effect.

18. By request. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of one hundred (\$100) dollars as a perpetual fund, the interest of the same to be expended in the care of the tomb of E. L. Saunders.

19. By request. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of one hundred (\$100) dollars as a perpetual fund, the interest of the same to be expended in the care of lot in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, known as Jonathan K. Gordon lot.

20. By request. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of one hundred (\$100) dollars as a perpetual fund, the interest of the same to be expended in the care of Frye Austin lot in Pine Grove Cemetery.

21. By request. To see if the town will vote to exempt from taxation for a term of ten years the plant and shoe manufacturing business of the T. M. Russ Company, incorporated under the laws of New Hampshire.

22. By request. To see if the town will vote to adopt chapter 124 of the Public Statutes.

23. By request. To see what action the town will take in regard to the settlement of the will of the late Ebenezer Duston.

24. By request. To see what action the town will take in regard to procuring new catalogues for Salem free public library.

25. By request. To see if the town will vote to purchase a new hearse to take the place of the one now housed at the Center Village, and raise money therefor, and choose a committee to dispose of old one and to carry the vote into effect.

26. By request. To see what action the town will take in regard to buying machinery for building macadamized roads.

Given under our hands and seal this 20th day of February, 1909.

(Signed) EDWIN G. CATE,
L. HENRY BAILEY,
BENJAMIN R. WHEELER.
Selectmen of Salem.

A true copy of the warrant's attest.

(Signed) EDWIN G. CATE,
L. HENRY BAILEY,
BENJAMIN R. WHEELER,

Selectmen's Report for the Year Ending February 15, 1909.

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF SALEM AS TAKEN APRIL 1, 1908.

533 polls,	\$53,300.00
Real estate,	872,607.00
291 horses,	23,116.00
8 oxen,	440.00
616 cows,	18,564.00
77 neat stock,	1,411.00
10 sheep,	36.00
48 hogs,	480.00
2,071 fowls,	1,063.00
39 carriages,	6,100.00
Stock in bank,	1,000.00
Money on hand,	13,000.00
Stock in trade,	69,465.00
Mills and machinery,	27,200.00
Boats,	2,145.00
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	\$1,089,927.00

TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR 1908.

State tax,	\$1,810.00
County tax,	2,727.10
Water tax,	1,200.00
Town charges,	3,000.00
Electric light,	1,100.00
Highway by law,	2,724.82
Highway by vote,	1,850.00
Hose No. 2, wagon and harness,	425.00
Library by vote,	149.99
Library by law,	108.60
G. A. R.,	100.00
School by law,	2,715.00
School house insurance,	160.00
New school house in No. 8,	850.00
New windows in school house No. 4,	25.00
Well, No. 8,	125.00
No. 6 school note and interest,	624.00
Overlay,	968.06
High school tuition,	100.00
Claim of county commissioners,	76.55
Claim of Wm. E. Lancaster,	25.00
Electric lights and water for town house,	150.00
Printing town history,	2,000.00
To pay water bonds,	2,000.00
Text books for schools,	500.00
To paint town house,	100.00
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Taxes committed to collector, 1908,	\$25,614.12
Rate, \$23.50 per \$1,000.	

SCHOOLS.

Text books for schools,	\$500.00
For No. 8 school house,	850.00
For No. 6, school note and interest,	624.00
High school tuition,	100.00
Claim of county commissioners,	76.55
Claim of William E. Lancaster,	25.00
School house insurance,	160.00
Well for No. 8 school house,	125.00
Windows for No. 4 school house,	25.00
School, by law,	2,715.00
Balance due from appropriation, 1907,	999.22
Balance of state appropriation,	1,173.21
Interest on No. 2 note, 2 years,	29.36
Interest on No. 10 note, 2 years,	25.82
Dog license,	265.29
Literary fund,	206.01
Portion of school fund,	606.68
High school tuition,	69.54
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	\$8,575.68

Paid as per voucher No.	99	\$9.08
“ “ “	100	6.12
“ “ “	101	16.18
“ “ “	102	1.60
“ “ “	103	4.74
“ “ “	104	7.41
“ “ “	105	24.27
“ “ “	106	.65
“ “ “	107	1.05

Paid as per voucher	No.	108	\$22.50
"	"	109	7.05
"	"	110	2.34
"	"	111	1.76
"	"	183	174.30
"	"	184	25.96
"	"	185	6.55
"	"	186	7.00
"	"	187	4.50
"	"	188	2.00
"	"	189	6.05
"	"	190	23.74
"	"	259	601.73
"	"	260	7,473.95
"	"	262	22.16
"	"	263	2.49
"	"	264	55.93
"	"	265	13.75
"	"	266	3.25
"	"	267	3.20
"	"	288	1.70
"	"	289	25.00
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			\$8,569.94

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid B. R. Wheeler, interest,	\$40.00
E. H. Rollins & Sons, interest,	18.75
Methuen National Bank, interest,	125.00
North Adams National Bank, interest on water bonds,	1,040.00
Essex National Bank, note,	2,000.00
Essex National Bank, note,	1,000.00
Methuen National Bank, interest,	125.00
Boston Bank, note,	5,000.00
Enoch Taylor estate, interest,	56.00
Methuen National Bank, interest,	125.00
North Adams National Bank, interest on water bonds,	1,040.00
Enoch Taylor estate, interest,	56.00
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	\$10,625.75

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid C. A. Kimball, court expense, Hoyt case,	\$35.45
K. M. McLaughlin, wood for town house,	10.62
J. W. Wheeler, watering place,	3.00
J. W. Wheeler, drills,	11.76
Walker Haigh, repairs town hall,	57.69
George C. Gordon & Son, insurance,	30.00
George C. Gordon & Son, insurance,	15.00
George C. Gordon & Son, insurance,	4.02
W. G. Richardson, special police,	8.00
C. A. Kimball, express,	1.10
D. A. Abbott, election ballots,	8.00
George C. Gordon & Son, insurance,	28.00
Albert Kellett, rubber stamp,	.75
H. E. Allen, returns of marriages,	5.50
W. F. Rowell, special police,	4.50
C. F. Moore, special police,	3.00
John C. Nichols, special police,	4.00
Walker Haigh, barrels for cemetery,	6.00
F. M. Holt, labor in cemetery,	2.70
N. H. Tilton, labor in cemetery,	13.65
Bigelow, Dowst Co., hose for cemetery,	11.00
John T. Littlefield, watering place, 1906-1907,	6.00
Eastman, Scammon & Gardner, Hoyt road damage,	196.49
C. C. Foster, labor in cemetery,	15.33
H. J. Horn & Co., trees, cemetery,	26.00
E. S. Atwood, lettering stone, Cundy lot,	4.00
Rockingham Hotel, board for prisoners,	4.75
R. L. Pettengill, witness, Hoyt case,	1.50
George C. Gordon & Son, collector's bond,	30.00
Rumford Printing Co., town reports,	68.48

Paid Rumford Printing Co., tax bills,	\$4.25
E. C. Eastman, record books,	13.90
C. H. Smith, labor in cemetery,	11.30
O. C. Reed, sheep killed by dogs,	9.00
George C. Gordon & Son, insurance,	7.50
W. F. Rowell, special police,	18.98
E. G. Cate, labor in cemetery,	22.25
C. E. Merrill, labor in cemetery,	5.00
L. Wallace Hall, Ewins will case,	10.00
C. H. Smith, labor in cemetery,	41.23
C. H. Smith, labor in cemetery,	27.20
John S. Stevens, special police,	17.44
L. F. Soule, special police,	2.00
Louis M. Packer, sink for town hall,	8.00
C. C. Foster, G. A. R.,	100.00
Rumford Printing Co., town history,	2,794.86
City of Boston, 1908 tax Cundy estate,	23.10
Salem Light, Heat & Power Co., coal,	11.05
Salem free public library, by vote,	149.99
E. C. Eastman, record books,	31.00
D. W. Felch, hens killed by dogs,	3.50
Frank L. Woodbury, care of cemetery,	4.00
Baptist Society, storing watering cart,	6.00
L. E. Bailey, foundation for town hall,	32.90
M. J. Foss, watering place,	3.00
County tax,	2,737.50
C. H. Borchers, town hall repairs,	450.14
F. N. Emerson, jail keeper,	2.40
W. D. Pulver, justice fees,	34.50
George C. Gordon & Son, insurance,	30.00
L. F. Soule, disinfectant,	22.50
W. E. Lancaster, surveying,	15.00
George C. Gordon & Son, insurance,	20.00
Salem free public library, by law,	108.60
State tax,	1,810.00
D. A. Abbott, copying records,	1.00

Paid E. G. Cate, use of team,	\$25.00
E. F. Lord, watering place, 1908,	3.00
L. F. Soule, returns births and deaths,	3.75
L. F. Soule, special police,	12.00
L. F. Soule, transporting prisoners,	5.00
Rev. H. E. Allen, returns marriages,	1.75
James Ewins, supplies for lockup,	1.40
James Ewins, supplies for town hall,	6.12
City of Boston, water tax,	11.00
Land bought for taxes,	2,807.58
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	\$12,081.98

EXPENSE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Hose No. 1, attendance at meetings,	\$29.50
Hose No. 2, attendance at meetings,	43.75
John J. Richardson, covering hose,	6.50
Hose No. 1, fire at Brady's,	14.00
Hose No. 1, fire account for April,	77.50
Hose No. 2, brush fire, Emerson lot,	6.00
Hose No. 2, brush fire, McLaughlin land,	47.00
Hose No. 2, pails and shovels,	16.65
Hose. No. 1, chemicals,	2.52
Hose No. 1, fire Dow's Grove,	29.00
Hose No. 1, fire car barn,	15.50
Hose No. 2, brush fire, Lundburg land,	9.50
Hose No. 2, fire Dow's Grove,	30.50
Hose No. 1, fire extinguishers,	50.00
Hose No. 2, fire Kimball lot,	27.50
Hose No. 1, fire Jennings lot,	24.00
Hose No. 1, fire Bert Clark lot,	36.00
Hose No. 2, fire Bert Clark lot,	38.00
Hose No. 2, hose wagon and harness,	412.00
Hose No. 1, electric lights,	2.03
Hose No. 1, electric lights,	15.75
Hose No. 2, wiring hose house,	50.00
Hose No. 1, Jones fire,	6.50
Hose No. 2, Frank Wheeler fire,	32.50
Hose No. 1, electric lights,	2.40
Hose No. 2, electric lights,	5.89

\$1,030.49

SALEM WATER WORKS.

Paid for hydrant service to July, 1909,	\$1,900.00
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CUNDY FUND.

Essex Savings Bank, Lawrence,	\$1,640.10	
Provident Institute for Savings, Boston,	695.53	
Suffolk Savings Bank, Boston,	18.92	
Real estate, estimated,	1,400.00	
Claims against the estate,		\$950.00

SNOW PATHS.

L. E. Bailey,	\$19.85	
F. N. Emerson,	6.50	
James E. Young,	2.25	
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		\$28.60

REPORT OF JOHN E. KING, HIGHWAY AGENT.

Received of James Ewins, town treasurer,	\$571.01
Paid J. E. King, $5\frac{1}{2}$ days,	\$11.00
J. E. King, 2 men and 2 teams, 3 days,	27.00
J. E. King, 1 man and 1 team, $2\frac{1}{2}$ days,	11.25
Chas. Thomas, 2 men and 2 teams, 1 day,	9.00
H. Long, 5 days,	7.50
Geo. Spates, 1 day,	1.50
A. Jennings, 1 day,	1.50
P. Bransfield, 1 day,	1.50
A. Gross, 1 day,	1.50
W. E. King, 3 days,	4.50
J. E. King, $12\frac{3}{4}$ days,	25.50
J. E. King, 2 men and 2 teams, $12\frac{3}{4}$ days,	114.75
Chas. Thomas, 2 men and 2 teams, $\frac{3}{4}$ day,	6.75
H. Long, 8 days,	12.00
Geo. Spates, $5\frac{3}{4}$ days,	8.62
A. Jennings, $10\frac{3}{4}$ days,	16.12
P. Bransfield, $12\frac{3}{4}$ days,	19.12
A. Gross, $6\frac{3}{4}$ days,	10.12
E. Holmes, $6\frac{3}{4}$ days,	10.12
S. M. Pettee, $6\frac{1}{2}$ days,	9.75
J. E. Palmer, 5 days,	7.50
Wm. Pattee, 5 days,	7.50
M. Pattee, 2 days,	3.00
Annie Head, 98 loads gravel,	4.90
J. H. T. Dunlap, 61 loads gravel,	3.05

Paid J. E. King, 12 days,	\$24.00	
J. E. King, 2 men, 2 teams, 9 days,	81.00	
J. E. King, 1 man, 1 team, 4 days,	18.00	
A. Jennings, 12 days,	18.00	
• P. Bransfield, 11 days,	16.50	
S. M. Pattee, 6 days,	9.00	
N. P. Nowell, 4 days,	6.00	
J. E. Palmer, 2 days,	3.00	
Wm. Pattee, 9 days,	13.50	
E. Holmes, 1/2 day,	.75	
H. P. Taylor, 20 lbs. spikes,	.80	
J. E. King, 2 days,	4.00	
J. E. King, man and team, 2 days,	9.00	
A. B. Jennings and team, 1 day,	4.50	
A. Gross, 2 days,	3.00	
W. E. King, 2 days,	3.00	
N. P. Nowell, 2 days,	3.00	
J. Stranch, 1 1/2 days,	2.25	
E. F. Lord, 51 loads gravel,	2.25	
J. E. King, 1 day,	2.00	
J. E. King, man and team, 1 day,	4.50	
Frank Dunn, 272 feet plank,	7.61	
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		\$571.01

REPORT OF WILLIAM C. MERRILL, HIGHWAY AGENT.

Cash received from James Ewins,		\$652.73
Paid as per voucher No. 47,	\$109.96	
“ “ 69,	230.00	
“ “ 70,	38.75	
“ “ 117,	29.50	
“ “ 128,	30.60	
“ “ 136,	49.20	
“ “ 142,	13.00	
“ “ 171,	39.00	
“ “ 205,	9.00	
“ “ 206, plank,	22.42	
“ “ 207,	5.88	
“ “ 212,	4.50	
“ “ 215,	4.50	
“ “ 222,	15.75	
“ “ 221, plank,	50.67	
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REPORT OF FRANK N. EMERSON, HIGHWAY AGENT.

Received of James Ewins, town treasurer,	\$650.76
March, 1908, 2 hours, 1 man and team, at 45c.,	\$.90
March, 1908, 12 hours, 2 men and team, at 60c.,	7.20
Paid F. N. Emerson, 69½ days, at \$2,	139.00
F. N. Emerson, team 61 5-6 days, at \$3,	182.50
Paul Kezer, 696 hours, at 15c.,	107.40
George Silver, 264 hours at 15c.,	39.60
Albert Benjamin, 198 hours at 15c.,	29.70

Paid John Nichols, 271½ hours, at 15c.,	\$40.73	
Fred Scott, 6 days at \$1.50,	9.00	
M. A. Turner, 1 day at \$1.50,	1.50	
Harry Robbins, 18 days, at \$1.50,	27.00	
Geo. Randall, 20½ days, at \$1.50,	30.75	
Lucien Paquette, 12 days, at \$1.50,	18.00	
for 45 loads sand, at 10c.,	4.50	
for 248 loads gravel, at 5c.,	12.40	
for sharpening picks,	1.50	
for 25 lbs. spikes,	.88	
for 10 feet drain pipe, at 12c.,	1.20	
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		\$653.76

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Paid Electric Light Co., February,	\$91.67
“ “ March,	90.00
“ “ April,	91.67
“ “ May,	90.00
“ “ June,	91.67
“ “ July,	91.67
“ “ August,	91.67
“ “ September,	91.67
“ “ October,	91.67
“ “ November,	91.67
“ “ December,	91.67
“ “ January,	91.67
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	\$1,096.70

SPECIAL ROADS.

Report of L. H. Bailey on Turnpike.

Received of Jas. Ewins,	\$964.77
Paid Mass. Broken Stone Co.,	\$163.32
Oct. 2. To bill rendered,	92.50
Oct. 10. “ “	103.50

Oct.	17.	To bill rendered,	\$175.50
Oct.	24.	“ “	196.50
Nov.	7.	“ “	126.50
Nov.	14.	“ “	106.50
Nov.	14.	Hoe,	45
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			\$964.77

SPECIAL ROADS.

Expended on road at North Salem:

John Duston, 21¾ days, at \$2.50,	\$54.37
Herbert Long, 19¾ days, at \$1.75,	34.56
Walter King, 3 days, at \$1.75,	5.25
John E. King, 40 days, at \$2.00,	80.00
John E. King, man and team,	137.25
John E. King, man and team, 2d team,	47.25
E. G. Cate,	69.00
Nat Nowell,	32.00
Harry Ball,	47.75
Chas. Baker,	19.50
James Campbell,	22.50
Eugene C. Rowell, with team, six days,	21.00
Linas Chase,	114.50
John Palmer,	9.00
Marlie Pettee,	9.00
Chas. Wheeler,	10.50
George Spates,	9.00
Frank Davis,	13.50
Bert Jennings,	21.00
E. F. Lord,	18.00
James Cullen, with team,	86.63
Arthur Cullen, with team,	90.00
Patrick Bransfield,	28.50
Albion Gross,	10.50
Steven Ball,	30.00
Charles Nichols,	4.50
Clarence Chase,	3.00

Fred Bates,	\$3.75	
Frank Jones,	1.50	
E. G. Cate, 705 loads gravel, at 5c.,	35.25	
E. F. Lord, 304 loads gravel, at 5c.,	15.20	
E. G. Cate, 296 feet oak plank,	10.80	
John Duston, 18 pounds dynamite,	6.30	
John Duston, 150 feet fuse,	1.50	
John Duston, 75 primers,	1.50	
Henry P. Taylor, shovels and picks,	16.45	
Loren E. Bailey, use of derrick,	9.00	
C. F. Smith, repairs of tools,	3.65	
		<hr/> \$1,132.96
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Due,		\$2.48

SPECIAL ROAD AT CANOBIE LAKE.

L. E. Bailey, man and team, 4 days,	\$18.00	
Isaac Woodbury, man and team, 1 day,	3.00	
Isaac Woodbury, man and team, 3 days,	13.50	
Chas. Kelley, man and team, 4 days,	18.00	
Frank Plumb, 4 days,	6.00	
Irving Corliss, 4 days,	6.00	
Orrin Dickey, 4 days,	6.00	
John Sias, 4 days,	6.00	
Wm. C. Morrill, 4 days,	8.00	
John Gagnon, 124 loads gravel at 10c.,	12.40	
14 loads gravel at 5c.,	.70	
		<hr/> \$97.60
Expended on Stillwater road,		50.00

COUNTY POOR.

I. S. Campbell,	\$118.00	
W. H. Maloon,	118.00	
		<hr/> \$236.00

TOWN POOR.

Jane Gibbs,	\$38.00
Aid on account of diphtheria,	7.15
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	\$45.15
Dependent soldiers and families,	\$234.00

TOWN OFFICERS.

David S. Emery, fire warden, 1907,	\$10.00
C. S. Hall, ballot clerk, 1907,	4.00
Frank N. Emerson, supervisor,	8.00
E. E. Blaisdell, supervisor, 1908,	10.00
James H. Hadley, supervisor,	10.00
C. E. Merrill, ballot clerk, 1907,	4.00
Joseph Breckles, auditor,	2.00
E. E. Blaisdell, supervisor,	8.00
F. N. Emerson, supervisor,	8.00
D. A. Abbott, town clerk,	50.00
C. S. Hall, ballot clerk,	4.00
A. M. Garland, ballot clerk,	2.00
George B. Noyes, auditor,	2.00
F. D. Davis, moderator,	15.00
D. Lanagan, ballot clerk,	2.00
James H. Hadley, supervisor,	8.00
F. N. Emerson, ballot clerk,	2.00
L. Henry Bailey, selectman,	125.00
E. G. Cate, selectman,	150.00
D. S. Emery, fire warden, 1908,	10.00
John J. Hunt, services B. of H.,	15.00
John J. Hunt, services as tax collector,	150.00
B. R. Wheeler, services as tree warden,	10.00
B. R. Wheeler, services as selectman,	125.00
L. F. Soule, M. D., services B. of H.,	25.00
James Ewins, services, town treasurer,	100.00

E. G. Cate, sexton Mt. Pleasant cemetery,	\$10.00
Daniel A. Abbott, services town clerk,	50.00
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	\$919.00

BROWN-TAIL MOTH ACCOUNT.

E. G. Cate,	\$15.00
George Hastings,	6.00
Clarence Shirley,	2.00
George Spates,	9.00
Albert Austin,	13.00
Levi Duston,	8.00
Floyd French,	6.00
Edgar Holmes,	6.00
Two pruners,	2.00
Silas W. Hall,	14.00
Fred Tootel,	14.00
J. Fred Scott,	15.00
A. H. Morse,	12.25
Frank Oberti,	14.00
John B. Varick Co.,	6.00
Silas W. Hall,	19.00
Fred Tootel,	19.00
A. H. Morse,	16.63
J. Fred Scott,	19.00
Frank Oberti,	19.00
John F. Hall,	1.75
E. G. Cate,	9.00
George Hastings,	6.00
Clarence Shirley,	2.00
George Spates,	6.00
Albert Austin,	6.00
Floyd French,	6.00
Levi Duston,	4.00
Repairs on clippers and ladder,	.85
L. Shaw,	49.56
Joseph Chrysler,	49.56

Frank Horn,	\$49.56
L. L. Hall,	40.00
Willis L. Hall,	9.56
Frank Horn, team,	21.50
C. A. Kimball,	8.00
L. H. Bailey,	3.00
C. F. Morse,	10.00
F. G. Horn,	12.00
F. G. Horn, team,	5.00
J. R. Chrysler,	12.00
C. L. Shaw,	12.00
C. F. Luce,	2.00
E. G. Cate,	5.00
George Spates,	2.00
Edgar Holmes,	2.00
Albert Austin,	2.00
One pruner,	1.10
A. H. Morse,	7.00
A. H. Morse, team,	4.00
F. A. Oberti,	8.00
F. J. Scott,	8.00
A. L. Cross,	33.00
Levi Duston,	2.00
Edgar Holmes,	2.00
J. F. Fernier, repairs pruners,	2.15
Silas W. Hall,	23.00
Fred Tootell,	23.00
J. Fred Scott,	16.00
Frank Oberti,	7.00
A. H. Morse,	1.75
John F. Hall,	5.00
J. F. Scott,	1.25
L. H. Bailey,	6.35
L. H. Bailey,	163.70
L. H. Bailey,	122.75

\$1,008.27

Collector's Reports.

Balance due on 1905 taxes,		\$430.48
Abatements, 1905 taxes,	\$250.70	
Cash from J. J. Hunt,	68.88	
Overcharge, interest,	16.49	
		336.07

Balance due,		\$94.41
Land bought for taxes, 1903,		102.22
Cash from J. J. Hunt,		93.82

Balance due,		\$8.40
Land bought for taxes, 1904,		76.45
Cash from J. J. Hunt,		37.39

Balance due,		\$39.06
Balance due from J. J. Hunt, taxes 1904,		19.78
Balance due from W. D. Pulver on 1907 taxes,		5,241.63

Received from W. D. Pulver:

non-resident 1907 land sold for		
taxes,	\$2,524.09	
resident 1907 land sold for taxes,	283.49	
Cash,	1,777.33	
abatements, 1907 tax,	415.34	
discounts, 1907 tax,	41.80	
		5,042.05

Balance due,		\$199.58
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Received from W. D. Pulver:

abatements,	\$7.08	
cash,	192.50	
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		\$199.58
Non-resident land sold for taxes, 1907,	\$2,524.09	
Cash received,	118.10	
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Balance due,		2,405.99
Resident land sold for taxes, 1907,	\$283.49	
Cash received,	173.39	
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Balance due,		110.10
Land bought for taxes, 1903,		102.22
Cash from J. J. Hunt, 1903 tax,		93.82
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Balance due on 1903 taxes,		\$8.40
Land bought for taxes 1904,	\$76.45	
Due on 1904 tax and interest,	19.78	
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		96.23
Cash from J. J. Hunt, 1904 tax,		18.93
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Balance due 1904 tax,		\$77.30
Due from L. Henry Bailey, taxes 1906,		294.94
Cash from L. Henry Bailey,		86.64
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Balance due town on 1906 taxes,		\$208.30
Amount of taxes committed to John J. Hunt		
for the year 1908,		25,614.12
Received of John J. Hunt, cash,	\$19,571.37	
Discounts,	1,128.61	
Abatements,	212.43	
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		20,912.41
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Due on taxes 1908,		\$4,701.71

STATEMENT OF TOWN DEPARTMENT.

ASSETS.

Cash in treasurer's hands,	\$1,255.92
Balance in state treasury due the town for per-	
manent improvement of highways,	842.00
Property owned by the town appraised,	65,570.50
Due the town as per collector's report,	15,495.08
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	\$83,163.50

LIABILITIES.

First National Bank, Boston,	\$4,000.00
Town water works, bonds,	52,000.00
National Bank of Methuen,	12,000.00
Trustees Enoch Taylor estate,	2,800.00
B. R. Wheeler, admr.,	500.00
Total funded indebtedness,	3,691.49
School notes, District No. 8,	2,400.00
Unexpended balance of money raised for per-	
manent improvement of highways,	2,438.52
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	\$79,830.01
Balance in favor of the town,	\$3,333.49

APPRAISAL OF PROPERTY OWNED BY TOWN.

Town house,	\$4,000.00
Library building,	1,000.00
Books and fixtures in library,	1,700.00
Hose house No. 1,	600.00
Hose house, No. 2,	1,700.00
Hose wagon No. 1,	350.00
9 fire extinguishers,	64.00
2,450 feet of hose,	575.00
8 nozzles and spanners,	64.00
24 shovels,	15.00
2 hearses,	400.00
Road machine,	175.00
Lockup,	700.00
Lockup furnishings,	30.00
Salem water works,	53,000.00
Street sprinkler,	350.00
Wood land,	275.00
Pettingill land,	150.00
3 extension ladders,	22.50
Hose wagon No. 2,	400.00
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	\$65,570.50

CEMETERY FUNDS.

PINE GROVE.

Corning fund, for driveways,	\$700.00
Cundy fund, care of lot,	110.00
Whittier fund, care of lot,	50.00
Buck fund, care of lot,	102.50
Emerson fund, care of lot,	102.50
Noyes fund, care of lot,	106.72
Pettingill fund, care of lot,	102.50
Corning fund, care of lot,	209.09
Robinson fund, care of lot,	102.45
George Woodbury, care of lot,	100.00
Sidney Gage, care of lot,	50.00
Francis S. Smith, care of lot,	100.00
M. J. Welch, care of lot,	50.00
Joseph Marston, care of lot,	100.00
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	\$1,985.76

MOUNT PLEASANT.

Newell fund, care of lot,	\$103.86
Merrick fund, care of lot,	103.86
C. G. Taylor fund, care of lot,	103.86
Paul fund, care of lot,	103.86
Otis Taylor, care of lot,	103.86
Hunt fund, care of lot,	103.85
Duston fund, care of lot,	103.85
R. P. Taylor fund, care of lot,	103.85
J. Taylor, Jr., fund, care of lot,	102.82
D. Taylor fund, care of lot,	101.87
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	\$1,035.54

Selectmen's account, Mount Pleasant,		\$28.35
Old school note No. 2 with interest,	\$293.54	
Old school note No. 10 with interest,	258.96	
	<hr/>	552.50
Total funded indebtedness,		<hr/> \$3,602.15

PINE GROVE CEMETERY FUNDS.

Gilman Corning fund,	\$700.00
Interest, 1908,	24.50
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	\$724.50
Paid for labor on drives,	24.50
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Balance due on Corning fund,	\$700.00
Cundy fund,	\$114.00
Interest to December 31, 1908,	3.99
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	\$117.99
Expended on lot,	7.99
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Due on Cundy fund,	\$110.00
Whittier fund,	\$50.00
Interest to April, 1908,	1.75
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	\$51.75
Expended on lot,	1.75
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Due on Whittier fund,	\$50.00

Buck fund,	\$102.50
Interest to November 4, 1908,	3.58
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	\$106.08
Expended on lot,	3.58
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Due on Buck fund,	\$102.50
Emerson fund,	\$102.50
Interest,	3.58
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	\$106.08
Expended on lot,	3.58
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Due on Emerson fund,	\$102.50
Noyes fund,	\$106.50
Interest to April 1, 1908,	3.72
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	\$110.22
Expended on lot,	3.72
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Due on Noyes fund,	\$106.50
Pettingill fund,	\$102.50
Interest to March 24, 1908,	3.58
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	\$106.08
Expended on lot,	3.58
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Due on Pettingill fund,	\$102.50
Corning fund,	\$217.00
Interest to May 15, 1908	7.69
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	\$224.69

Expended on lot,	\$15.60
Due on Corning fund,	<hr/> \$209.09
Albert Robinson fund,	\$102.45
Interest to October 1, 1908,	3.58
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Expended on lot,	3.58
Due on Robinson fund,	<hr/> \$102.45
George Woodbury fund,	\$100.00
Interest to April 1, 1908,	3.50
	<hr/> \$103.50
Expended on lot,	3.50
	<hr/> \$100.00
Sidney Gage fund,	\$50.00
Interest to April 1, 1908,	1.75
	<hr/> \$51.75
Expended on lot,	1.75
	<hr/> \$50.00
Francis S. Smith fund,	\$100.00
Interest to April 1, 1908,	3.50
	<hr/> \$103.50
Expended on lot,	3.50
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Martha J. Welch fund,	\$50.00
Interest one year,	1.75
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	\$51.75
Expended on lot,	1.75
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	\$50.00
 Joseph Marston fund,	 \$100.00
Interest one year,	3.50
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	\$103.50
Expended on lot,	3.50
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	\$100.00

MOUNT PLEASANT CEMETERY FUNDS.

Samuel T. Newell fund,	\$102.50
Interest to October 1, 1908,	3.58
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	\$106.08
Expended on lot,	2.22
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Due on Newell fund,	\$103.86
Albert Merrick fund,	\$102.50
Interest to April 1, 1908,	3.58
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	\$106.08
Expended on lot,	2.22
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Due on Merrick fund,	\$103.86
C. G. Taylor fund,	\$102.50
Interest to April 1, 1908,	3.58
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	\$106.08
Expended on lot,	2.22
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Due on C. G. Taylor fund,	\$103.86
Matthew Paul fund,	\$102.50
Interest to April 1, 1908,	3.58
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	\$106.08
Expended on lot,	2.22
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Due on Paul fund,	\$103.86

Otis Taylor fund,	\$102.50
Interest to 1907,	3.58

\$106.08

Expended on lot,	2.22
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Due on Otis Taylor fund,	\$103.86
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Hattie D. Hunt fund,	\$102.50
Interest to March 13, 1908,	3.58

\$106.08

Expended on lot,	2.23
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Due on Hunt fund,	\$103.85
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Augusta M. Duston fund,	\$102.50
Interest to March 13, 1908,	3.58

\$106.08

Expended on lot,	2.23
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Due on Duston fund,	\$103.85
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Reuben P. Taylor fund,	\$102.50
Interest to October 7, 1908,	3.58

\$106.08

Expended on lot,	2.23
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Due on Reuben P. Taylor fund,	\$103.85
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John Taylor, Jr., fund,	\$101.50
Interest to July 1, 1908,	3.55
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	\$105.05
Expended on lot,	2.23
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Due on John Taylor, Jr., fund,	\$102.82
Daniel Taylor fund,	\$100.00
Interest,	3.50
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	\$103.50
Expended on lot,	2.23
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Due on Daniel Taylor fund,	\$101.27

Fire Department.

SALEM DEPOT, N. H., February 15, 1909.

REPORT OF HOSE CO. NO. 1.

PROPERTY ON HAND.

250 feet heavy rubber lined hose.
550 feet linen hose.
300 feet Eureka light hose.
2 one-inch nozzles.
2 three-fourths-inch nozzles.
15 spanners.
4 hydrant wrenches.
1 combination hose wagon equipped with two 20-foot extension ladders, one 12-foot roof ladder, one 10-foot folding ladder.
2 lanterns.
1 axe.
1 quick-hitch harness and hangers.
1 bar.
2 Badger department chemicals.
20 fire pails.
20 chairs.
2 tables.
12 shovels.

OFFICERS OF THE COMPANY.

Captain, David S. Emery; first lieutenant, Walter F. Hadley; second lieutenant, Charles D. Lewis; clerk, John S. Stevens; treasurer, Walter D. Emery.

DAVID S. EMERY,
Fire Warden.

EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1909.

March 16. Drawn on account of fire on the property of John Brady,	\$14.00
April 6. Drawn on account of fire on the property of Mrs. Silas Hall,	5.50
April 10. Drawn on account of fire on the property of B. E. Davis,	18.00
April 11. Drawn on account of fire on the property of C. F. Kimball,	44.00
April 12. Drawn on account of fire on the property of George Cross,	5.50
April 17. Drawn on account of fire on the property of Mrs. Sara Norris,	4.50
June 19. Drawn on account of fire on the property of Frank Lunburg,	9.50
June 27. Drawn on account of fire on the property of Southern New Hampshire Street Railway Co., carbarns,	15.50
July 17. Drawn on account of fire at Dow's Grove,	29.00
Oct. 18. Drawn on account of fire on the property of Alberton W. Clark,	30.50
Nov. 7. Drawn on account of fire on the property of Mrs. Mary Bradford,	5.50
Aug. 16. Drawn on account of fire on the property of C. Jennings,	24.00
Dec. 3. Drawn on account of fire on the property of J. W. Jones,	6.50
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	\$212.00

DAVID S. EMERY,
Fire Warden.

REPORT OF HOSE CO. NO. 2.

PROPERTY ON HAND.

1 combination hose wagon equipped with two 20-foot
 extension ladders, one 12-foot roof ladder.
 1 quick-hitch harness and hangers.
 2 standard chemical fire extinguishers.
 1 40-foot extension ladder.
 12 fire pails.
 12 shovels.
 500 feet Eureka hose.
 700 underwriter No. 1 hose.
 12 spanners.
 1 hydrant wrench.
 3 tables.
 28 chairs.
 12 lamps.
 10 yards rubber matting.
 1 clock.

The company was called out for the following fires:

Brush fire at sawmill on Emerson lot,	\$6.00
Forest fire back of town farm,	47.00
Fire at Dow's Grove, Canobie Lake,	30.50
Brush fire on Kimball Bros.' lot,	27.50
Brush fire on lot of Bert Clark,	38.00
Fire at home of Frank Wheeler,	32.50
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	\$181.50

OFFICERS OF THE COMPANY.

Captain, F. N. Emerson; first lieutenant, Alfred Perry;
 second lieutenant, Charles Haigh; clerk, Harold Haigh;
 treasurer, James Ewins.

FRANK N. EMERSON,
Fire Warden.

DOG LICENSES.

Number of dogs returned by selectmen,	240
Licenses issued, males 113, females 16, spayed females, 6. Total,	135
Licenses collected by town clerk,	135
Dogs killed or otherwise disposed of,	35
Licenses in hands of dog officer for collection,	70
Amount received for dog licenses,	\$316.49
Fees and expenses,	38.70
Balance for the town,	<u>\$277.79</u>

DANIEL A. ABBOTT,
Town Clerk.

RECAPITULATION.

Feb. 15, 1908, cash on hand,	\$941.46
Received of D. A. Abbott, dog tax,	277.79
Income from Cundy estate,	180.00
Received from State License Commissioners,	382.29
Received for land bought for taxes 1903,	93.82
Received for land bought for taxes 1904,	37.39
Received for land bought for taxes 1906,	136.55
Received for land bought for taxes 1907,	150.10
Received from water commissioners,	2,080.00

Received for sale of lots in Mount Pleasant Cemetery,	\$15.00	
Received for sale of lots in Pine Grove Cemetery,	1.00	
Received from Rockingham County, licenses from Canobie Lake Park,	703.53	
from state,	115.00	
rent of hall,	1,519.19	
L. H. Bailey, taxes 1906,	14.50	
W. D. Pulver, taxes 1907,	86.64	
J. J. Hunt, taxes 1908,	5,241.63	
J. J. Hunt, taxes 1905, abatements,	20,912.35	
Frank Dunn, brown-tail moth account,	250.70	
for sale town history,	7.50	
notes in anticipation of taxes,	333.54	
	11,732.33	
	<hr/>	\$45,212.31

Paid for support of fire department,	
Hose 1,	\$314.20
support of fire department,	
Hose 2,	716.29
contingent expenses,	12,081.98
repairs roads and bridges,	1,877.50
special roads and bridges,	2,242.85
transient poor,	515.15
snow paths,	28.60
notes and interest,	10,625.75
town officers,	919.00
water works,	1,900.00
electric lights,	1,096.70
brown-tail moth,	1,008.27
abatements,	889.75
discounts,	1,170.41
for support schools,	8,075.68
school supplies,	494.26
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	\$43,956.39
Cash in treasurer's hands,	1,255.92
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	\$45,212.31

EDWIN G. CATE,
L. HENRY BAILEY,
BENJAMIN R. WHEELER,

Selectmen of Salem.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and found them correct and properly vouched for.

GEO. B. NOYES,
SILAS W. HALL,
WILLIAM H. AYER,

Auditors.

Town Treasurer's Statement.

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Feb. 15, 1908, to cash on hand,	\$941.46
Received F. D. Wilson, town histories,	125.97
James Ewins, town histories,	35.57
Edgar Gilbert, town histories,	172.00
rent of Cundy Estate,	180.00
dog licenses,	277.79
state license commissioners,	382.29
town water commissioners,	2,080.00
Frank Dunn, account brown-tail moths,	7.50
sale lots in Mount Pleasant cemetery,	15.00
Canobie Lake Park licenses,	115.00
G. A. R. lot in Pine Grove cemetery,	1.00
rent of hall,	14.50
notes in anticipation of taxes,	11,732.33
land bought for taxes, 1903,	93.82
land bought for taxes, 1904,	37.39
land bought for taxes, 1906,	136.55
land bought for taxes, 1907,	150.10
L. H. Bailey, taxes, 1906,	\$82.44
L. H. Bailey, abatements, 1906,	4.20
	86.64
W. D. Pulver, taxes, 1907,	\$4,777.41
W. D. Pulver, abatements,	
1907,	422.42
W. D. Pulver, discount, 1907,	41.80
	5,241.63
J. J. Hunt, taxes, 1908,	\$19,571.31
J. J. Hunt, abatements, 1908,	212.43

Received J. J. Hunt, discount, 1908,	\$1,128.61	
		<hr/> \$20,912.35
J. J. Hunt, abatements, 1905,		250.70
state treasurer:		
railroad tax,	\$194.31	
savings bank tax,	287.65	
literary fund,	206.01	
pro. of school fund,	606.68	
high school tuition,	69.54	
rebate on tax,	155.00	
		<hr/> 1,519.19
county treasurer:		
rebate on tax,	\$233.53	
county aid,	470.00	
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		<hr/> \$45,212.31
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By paid orders of selectmen,		\$43,956.39
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Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1909,		\$1,255.92

JAMES EWINS,

Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and found them correct and properly vouched for.

SILAS W. HALL,
GEO. B. NOYES,
WILLIAM H. AYER,

Auditors.

Water Commissioner's Report.

We present our fourth annual report of the Salem Water Works.

Twenty-eight new services have been added or extended this year.

The gross income is now \$1,866 for private services, and \$1,200 from the town, making a total of \$3,066.

We laid during the year 1,850 feet of 6-inch pipe, which we bought at a low price of \$24.20 per ton, and 560 feet of 2-inch pipe.

Due the Salem Water Works:

N. E. Breedere's Club, to May 18, 1907.	\$300.00
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From house services, to June 30, 1909,	333.29
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All bills owed by the Water Works are paid.

RECEIPTS.

1908.

Feb. 15, cash on hand,	\$481.25
Water rates,	67.00
New services,	11.33
Water rates,	25.67
Water rates,	14.00
New services,	21.22
Water rates,	17.00
New services,	5.00
Water rates,	3.00
New services,	.40
Cemetery trustees,	283.89
Charles Merrill, for pipe,	.35
F. N. Emerson, for pipe,	.88
New services,	11.61

Water rates,	\$37.30
New services,	20.10
Water rates,	14.00
New services,	4.55
Water rates,	8.50
Water rates,	9.00
Water rates,	81.00
Water rates,	53.00
Water rates,	50.00
New services,	3.93
Sale of pipe,	.60
Water rates,	77.00
Sale of pipe,	4.02
Water rates,	100.00
Sale of pipe,	.45
Water rates,	58.00
H. P. & S. Electric R. R.,	125.00
Water rates,	42.00
New services,	11.08
Water rates,	52.75
Water rates,	31.00
New services,	23.38
Water rates,	7.50
New services,	16.86
Water rates,	36.00
New services,	72.84
Water rates,	6.00
Water rates,	.75
Water rates,	13.50
Water rates,	64.50
New services,	59.42
Water rates,	142.00
Water rates,	106.25
New services,	21.10
New services,	16.64
New services,	9.93

Water rates,	\$19.00
Water rates,	58.00
Sale of pipe,	1.94
Water rates,	31.00
H. P. & S. Electric R. R.,	125.00
Water rates,	47.00
Water rates,	85.00
Town of Salem,	1,900.00
Water rates,	12.00
Water rates,	31.28
Supplies,	1.65
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	\$4,634.42

DISBURSEMENTS.

Masonic Hall Co.,	\$10.00
Geo. C. Gordon & Son, for bond,	10.00
Geo. C. Gordon & Son, for bond,	10.00
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe,	12.03
Geo. C. Gordon & Son, for bond,	10.00
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe,	8.87
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe,	25.46
Walter F. Hadley, care of hydrants,	2.40
Boston & Maine, freight,	127.54
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe,	22.91
F. N. Emerson, drawing pipe,	19.50
Charles Smith, team,	.50
Wade Printing Co.,	1.75
Boston & Maine, freight,	1.19
Mills & McClintock,	5.47
H. G. Woodbury, millage,	.90
H. G. Woodbury, mending pipe,	2.25
H. G. Woodbury, for pipe,	.73
M. H. Ayer, labor,	3.90
George Randall, labor,	5.70
George Pattee, labor,	2.50

E. McKay, labor,	\$2.50
C. L. Whippey, labor,	2.50
Lynchburg Foundry Co.,	607.35
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe,	2.43
Chadwick Boston Lead Co.,	49.90
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe,	7.56
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe,	142.45
H. G. Woodbury, labor,	33.00
H. G. Woodbury, labor,	21.00
Chadwick Boston Lead Co.,	10.09
James E. Sloan, labor,	20.00
H. G. Woodbury, labor,	13.11
H. G. Woodbury, labor,	16.16
H. G. Woodbury, labor,	18.22
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe,	141.95
Chadwick Lead Co.,	27.41
H. G. Woodbury, labor,	50.00
Ambrose Turner, labor,	1.50
H. G. Woodbury, labor,	.75
H. G. Woodbury, labor,	45.00
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe,	37.50
George Randall, labor,	33.62
James E. Sloan, labor,	74.50
H. G. Woodbury, labor,	30.00
Daniel Howe, labor,	8.64
Frank Emerson, teaming,	19.50
Leslie Colburn, wood,	3.00
George Pattee, labor,	2.40
C. L. Whippey, labor,	3.75
Paul Kezer,	101.51
John C. Nichols, labor,	22.75
Joseph Frye, labor,	37.63
W. Pattee, labor,	9.00
George Randell, labor,	83.65
James E. Sloan, labor,	50.00
Boston & Maine, freight,	6.04

American Express Co.,	\$0.90
Wilson Bros., supplies.	2.48
James Ewins, supplies,	7.55
Glines & Co., supplies.	1.52
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe.	11.23
H. L. Bond, supplies.	2.65
Daniel Howe, blacksmith,	.55
Joseph Fournier, blacksmith,	.70
John Slater, supplies.	.90
Ed. Seymour, dynamite,	1.50
Wilson Bros.,	40.00
W. F. Hadley, care of hydrants,	5.70
C. F. Kimball & Son, supplies,	.80
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe,	1.99
Town treasurer, interest on bonds.	2,080.00
James H. Hadley, labor,	36.60
Postage and stationery,	3.25
Feb. 15, 1909, cash on hand.	416.13
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	\$4,634.42

JAMES H. HADLEY,
HERBERT G. WOODBURY,
JAMES E. SLOAN,

Water Board.

Report of the Board of Health.

SALEM, N. H., 1909.

The board wishes to again call attention to the following from the Public Health Laws of the State of New Hampshire:

SECT. 8. No person shall occupy, lease to any other person, or permit any other person to occupy a building or any part of a building within the compact part of a city or town as a dwelling-house, office, store, shop, or sleeping apartment unless such building shall be provided with suitable privies and vaults, properly ventilated and constructed, and kept in proper sanitary condition, and in case of occupancy as a dwelling-house unless it shall be provided with suitable drains or sewers for conveying the sink-water away from the premises into some public sewer, if there be one within one hundred feet thereof, and if not, for conveying it away under ground or in some other way that will not be offensive.

SECT. 9. Any person neglecting or refusing to comply with the provisions of the preceding section shall be fined not exceeding ten dollars for each day of neglect or refusal, after notice as provided in section four of this chapter.

SECT. 10. No house of easement or privy, and no pen or sty for swine, shall be erected or continued in such places or condition, as in the judgment of the health officers, to be a nuisance or injurious to the public health.

SECT. 12. If a person shall place, leave or cause to be placed or left in or near a highway, street, alley, public place or wharf, or shall allow to be exposed unburied any animal or other substance liable to become putrid or offensive or injurious to the public health, he shall be fined not

exceeding twenty dollars, and the health officers shall remove the same.

During the past year, there have been only a few cases of contagious diseases, four of diphtheria reported, one of scarlet fever, one of typhoid fever. There has been one death from tuberculosis.

We have had an unusually low death rate for the past year, only 24 deaths from all causes. Population of Salem in 1909, 2,041. Death rate per thousand, 11.65+.

LEWIS F. SOULE, M. D.,
JOHN J. HUNT,

Board of Health.

Salem Free Public Library.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Board of Trustees of the Salem Free Public Library:

GENTLEMEN: The 16th annual report of the library, showing its work for the year ending February 15, 1909, is herewith presented:

Whole number of books reported February 15, 1908, 2,220. The number of accessions since then has been 101, comprising 90 volumes obtained by purchase and 11 gifts, making a total in the library February 15, 1909, 2,321 volumes. During the year 8,170 volumes were issued. Number issued to patrons at the Center, 5,136; number issued to patrons at Salem Depot, 2,407; number issued to patrons at North Salem, 627; largest number issued in one day, 209; smallest number issued in one day, 100; average per day, 157+, making increase in the total circulation of 1,944 volumes over the previous year.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1908,	\$.27	
Received for catalogues and fines,	2.94	
	<hr/>	\$3.21
Paid for library supplies,		\$2.66
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Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1909,		\$.55

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HATTIE F. ABBOTT,
Librarian.

February 15, 1909.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY TREASURER.

SALEM, N. H., Feb. 15, 1909.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1908,	\$93.40
From town,	258.59

Whole amount,	\$351.99
Paid out for books, supplies and salaries,	274.34
Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1909,	77.65

	\$351.99
Amount in Amoskeag Bank,	330.08
Amount in Essex Bank,	135.70

Whole amount,	\$465.78
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LORENZO F. HYDE,
Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct and properly vouched for.

GEO. B. NOYES,
WILLIAM H. AYER,
SILAS W. HALL,
Auditors.

LIST OF BOOKS, 1908-'09.

2221	A Life in Song,	Ramond
2222	The Aztec God and Other Dramas,	Ramond
2223	Ballads and Other Poems,	Ramond
2224	The Garden,	
2225	A Primer of Forestry,	Pinchot
2226	Native Ministry of New Hampshire,	Carter

2229	Marjorie Daw,	Aldrich
2230	Pekin to Paris in a Motor Car,	Barzini
2231	Kitty of the Roses,	Barbour
2232	Tom, Dick and Harriet,	Barbour
2233	Harry's Island,	Barbour
2234	The Garden You and I,	Barbara
2235	Thou Fool,	Bell
2236	For Love of Country,	Brady
2237	The Blue Ocean's Daughter,	Brady
2238	The Grip of Honor,	Brady
2239	Dorothy Dainty,	Brooks
2240	Rose McLeod,	Brown
2241	Camping and Tramping with Roosevelt,	Burroughs
2242	The Eternal City,	Caine
2243	Our Bessie,	Carey
2244	At the Moorings,	Carey
2245	Mr. Crewe's Career,	Churchill
2246	Maid Sally,	Cheever
2247	The Crested Seas,	Connolly
2248	The Primadonna,	Crawford
2249	The Diva's Ruby,	Crawford
2250	The Little City of Hope,	Crawford
2251	Grandpa's Little Girls,	Curtis
2252	Grandpa's Little Girls at School,	Curtis
2253	A Daughter of New France,	Crowley
2254	Hans Brinker or the Silver Skates,	Dodge
2255	Helen Grant, Graduate,	Douglas
2256	Gertrude Elliot's Crucible,	Downs
2257	The Great Year,	Dudley
2258	The Story of Susan,	Dudeney
2259	The Call of the South,	Durham
2260	Old Indian Days,	Eastman
2261	Love Is the Sum of It All,	Eggleston
2262	Dorothy South,	Eggleston
2263	Barbara Winslow, Rebel,	Ellis
2264	The Cabin in the Clearing,	Ellis

2265	The Trail of the Lonesome Pine,	Fox, Jr.
2266	The West Point Rivals,	Garrison
2267	The Filigree Ball,	Green
2268	The Millionaire Baby,	Green
2269	The Great Miss Driver,	Hope
2270	The Princess and the Ploughman,	Kingsley
2271	Those Queer Brown,	Kingsley
2272	The Iron Heel,	London
2273	The Call of the Wild,	London
2274	Northern Trails,	Long
2275	The Sunset Trail,	Lewis
2276	Lady with the Rubies,	Marlitt
2277	The Man from Brodneys,	McCutcheon
2278	Brewster's Millions,	McCutcheon
2279	The Red City,	Mitchell
2280	Anne of Green Gables,	Montgomery
2281	Abraham Lincoln, the Boy and the Man,	Morgan
2282	The Hermit,	Munn
2283	Rosalind at Red Gate,	Nicholson
2284	A Lost Leader,	Oppenheim
2285	Bred in the Bone,	Page
2286	The Browns at Mt. Hermon,	Pansy
2287	Prisoners of Chance,	Parrish
2288	Dorothy Dale, a Girl of Today,	Penrose
2289	Dorothy Dale at Glenwood School,	Penrose
2290	Walled In,	Phelps
2291	The New Boy,	Pier
2292	The Orchard and Fruit Garden,	Powell
2293	Teddy Her Daughter,	Ray
2294	The Brass Bound Box,	Raymond
2295	Flower of the Dusk,	Reed
2296	Brave Little Peggy,	Rhoades
2297	The Indifference of Juliet,	Richmond
2298	The Silver Crown,	Richards
2299	The Haunters of the Silences,	Roberts
2300	Poultry Craft,	Robinson

2301	Beatrice of Clare,	Scott
2302	Peter,	Smith
2303	Jack Lorimer's Holiday,	Standish
2304	Dave Porter in the South Seas,	Stratemeyer
2305	Dave Porter's Return to School,	Stratemeyer
2306	Dave Porter in the Far North,	Stratemeyer
2307	The Fly on the Wheel,	Thurston
2308	The Lion's Share,	Thanet
2309	The Red Year,	Tracy
2310	The Three Scouts,	Trowbridge
2311	The Testing of Diana Mallory,	Ward
2312	Betty Wales, B. A.,	Warde
2313	The Riverman,	White
2314	The Old Peabody Pew,	Wiggin
2315	The Heart's Highway,	Wilkins
2316	The Rover Boys on the Farm,	Winfield
2317	The Motor Boys,	Young
2318	The Motor Boys Overland,	Young
2319	The Mormon Menace,	Lee
2320	Diseases of the Horse,	U. S. Dept. of Agriculture
2321	Diseases of Cattle,	U. S. Dept. of Agriculture

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF SALEM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The trustees of Salem Free Public Library respectfully submit their annual report for year ending February 15, 1909.

At the beginning of the fiscal year just closed the trustees organized by the choice of Daniel A. Abbott as chairman, Lorenzo F. Hyde treasurer and C. L. Silver as clerk.

Regular meetings have been held on the first Saturday night of each month during the year. A good number of books have been added to the library during the year, largely books of fiction.

There seems to be a call on the part of many patrons of the library for books of this class. While this may be well to a certain extent, we think it would be much better if books of history, biography, science and travels were read by patrons. The library contains many good books on these and other subjects, which do not seem to be appreciated by the public as they ought.

A line of papers and magazines have been subscribed for by the trustees and may be found on the table in the library, for the use of patrons during the hours when the library is open and will be loaned to patrons on application to the librarian.

The town histories have been placed in the library building. These are for sale and may be purchased by applying to persons having the care and sale of same.

The trustees recommend that an appropriation of one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars be made for the general expense of maintaining the library for the coming year.

It is now eleven years since new catalogues have been printed and these have been nearly exhausted. For the

good of the library and all concerned it seems well to the trustees that new catalogues be printed.

This means a new arrangement and re-numbering of books, which, when completed, will be more convenient for both librarian and its patrons. For this purpose we think the sum of one hundred (\$100) dollars should be raised. We leave this matter with the voters of the town.

Since we are fast becoming a progressive town and you have voted to have electric lights in the town hall, we think it well to raise a sufficient sum of money to wire the library building.

A list of books added during the year and reports of treasurer and librarian will be found in connection with this report.

Respectfully submitted,

L. F. HYDE,
CLINTON L. SILVER,
DANIEL A. ABBOTT,

Trustees of Salem Free Public Library.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the Town School District in the Town of Salem, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on Saturday, the thirteenth day of March, 1909, at two o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:—

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
4. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.
5. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of \$600 to defray the school expenses from January 18, 1909, to February 12, 1909.
6. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise for the support of schools in addition to the tax required by law.
7. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise for the payment of High school tuition.
8. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of \$50 for the re-shingling and other repairs at No. 9 school-house.
9. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of \$100 for re-varnishing the interior of No. 1 school-house and making other small repairs.
10. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of \$60 for re-varnishing the interior of No. 6 school-house.
11. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of \$30 for fencing part of No. 6 school-yard.
12. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of \$150 for the purpose of digging a well on the grounds of school-house No. 10.

13. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of \$75 for the purpose of digging a well on the grounds of school-house No. 4.

14. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of \$25 for the purpose of repairing the out-houses on the grounds of school-house No. 4.

15. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of \$25 for the purpose of painting school-house No. 3.

16. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of \$25 for the purpose of repairing and re-building the fence at school-house No. 4.

17. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of \$250 for the salaries of the school officers for the years 1908 and 1909.

To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers, heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

To choose agents, auditors, and committees, in relation to any subjects embraced in this warrant.

Given under our hands, at said Salem, this 20th day of February, 1909.

WILLIAM A. TURNER,
SETH M. PATTEE,
CHARLES E. MERRILL,
School Board of Salem, N. H.

A true copy of warrant. Attest:

WILLIAM A. TURNER,
SETH M. PATTEE,
CHARLES E. MERRILL,
School Board of Salem, N. H.

Public Schools.

The school board respectfully submit their report for the fiscal year ending February 15, 1909.

It is our belief, which seems to be supported by popular opinion, that the schools should be maintained for thirty-six weeks during the year. In order to do so, we have been obliged to keep the schools in session for four weeks after our appropriation was expended.

We have expended the special appropriations for putting in new windows at No. 4, which has improved the building very much, and also the appropriation for a well at No. 8. The work was done very satisfactorily.

Repairs are necessary at No. 1 and No. 6 school buildings and we recommend that sufficient funds be appropriated for that purpose. Number nine needs re-shingling and other small repairs.

After careful consideration we recommend that \$3,900 be raised above the amount required by law for the support of schools for the next fiscal year.

To the Committee of the School District of the Town of Salem:

I have the honor to submit my second annual report.

THE SCHOOL WORK.

Looking at the work of this year as a whole, I believe substantial gains have been made. As planned in my last report, a teachers' meeting including all teachers from Salem, Hudson and Atkinson was held in the spring at which every

detail of the course of study was carefully considered and many changes made therein. Weak spots were found where revision was necessary in order that the best results might be obtained from every moment of the school year. The field of reading and arithmetic was most carefully covered.

No other subject approaches in importance that of reading, which is the basis of good work in all the others. By reading is meant "ability to obtain thought from the printed page." Some pupils do this in a halting, stumbling fashion but get more of the meaning than those who are merely able to glibly pronounce words. I am convinced that, given a proper start, almost any child may become a good reader, and, given a poor start, except in rare cases, no child will ever become a good reader. The first two years in the primary school usually settle the question of capable reading later in life. After a stock of words has been learned *reading sentences as wholes* should be insisted upon all the time. Most of the teachers are doing this work well.

It was decided at our meeting to drop all so-called "readers" after the third year, when books, each a complete piece, should be given. A certain amount of time (three years in our course of study) is necessary to master the mechanics of reading, that is, "to learn *how* to read." Then, if proper material is not given, the pupil approaches the reading lesson as a disagreeable task and misses entirely the objects of his efforts. The cause of this has been justly laid at the door of our fourth and fifth readers. They are chopped up collections of pieces which ought to be given entire. Of course, no one book could do this without becoming too bulky for use. Hence, we are furnishing the children, after the third year, nothing but the best supplementary reading books of myths, ancient history, geography, nature stories, early pioneer and colonial life, English and United States history, and many works of our best literature. It costs more to do this, but it pays.

From my observation and the experience of the teachers, I believe the work in arithmetic should be narrowed to the essential topics. The state program of studies has this to say on this subject: "School boards are especially cautioned that good results in arithmetic are not proportioned to prolonged study of the subject, but rather to skillful teaching. The first six years of school life are ordinarily sufficient for all arithmetic needed, except for special service like banking eight years are allowed." Nine years have been allowed in our schools until last year, when the time was cut down to eight and a half. The work can be done, and well done, too, in eight years if the non-essential parts are eliminated from the field. By non-essential parts I mean such topics as compound proportion, cube root, complex fractions, foreign exchange, etc. Better results will be obtained by turning all our energies upon the four fundamental processes, common and decimal fractions, percentage, single entry book-keeping, and mensuration, devoting eight years to this work and giving a whole year to algebra. This amount of algebra is now required for entrance to the Methuen and Nashua high schools.

Several new language books have been introduced during the year, which have yielded good results, especially with the younger and less experienced teachers. Technical grammar should be taught in the seventh and eighth grades and a whole year left for the study of Latin. Grammar is necessarily a dry subject and, by the end of the eighth year, I think the children have gleaned all they can from the English text book. They have picked over the dry bones once or twice by this time and further efforts along this line have proven disagreeable and unprofitable work. Let them approach this subject from the higher ground of Latin and many difficult principles may become clear, appearing in a new light. Interest is awakened in the work and, by the end of the year, they have learned not only technical Eng-

lish grammar but a good deal of the history and mechanism of the English language as well.

In spelling, text-books have been dropped in the lower grades and are used in the upper grades only when the work in other studies ceases to furnish words enough. The method of teaching spelling is carefully followed as outlined in the state program of studies.

In penmanship, the Morse copy books have given us encouraging progress. These books possess striking advantages over any others in their method of teaching the muscular movement. Teachers and pupils are urged to abandon their slow, careful, exact, copper-plate style and to persist in their effort to secure an easy, flowing, graceful style of writing, which can be obtained only by constant practice in the muscular movement.

Text-book work in geography is now begun in the fourth year instead of in the fifth and the course ends with the eighth year.

Intensive study of United States history is taken during the eighth and ninth years and the course is followed as outlined in the state program of studies for the seventh and eighth years.

I have written somewhat in detail upon the essential studies of our school work because I believe it is of vital importance to every child in our town that the foundation of his education be wisely laid and I believe, also, parents are interested to know something of the methods used in educating their children.

EYESIGHT TEST.

The vision of all pupils has been most carefully tested by the Snellen letter-cards. The object of this test was to discover unsuspected cases of defective eyesight and to co-operate with parents in the care of their children. It is only one step in an effort to improve the physical condition of many children whose mental and moral develop-

ment is, no doubt, seriously impeded by defects of vision, hearing, teeth, breathing, etc. "A healthy mind in a healthy body" is an old saying containing much truth, a small part of which we have, as yet, applied in a practical way.

The question of requiring children to be six years of age before becoming eligible to enter school has been favorably discussed at different committee meetings. This would be a step in the right direction and would not only benefit the children physically and mentally but also enable teachers to more closely approximate the work laid down in the course of study.

An excellent system of recording the books on hand in each schoolroom, the number furnished each teacher during the year, the number returned by each teacher, and the number on hand at the close of each year has been installed. This will result in the saving of many dollars to the district and will supply, by interchanges, a larger stock of books to each school.

TEACHERS AND TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Ten dollars a week is our maximum salary which, in a year of thirty-six weeks, yields an income of \$360. The price of board in town has been raised from \$3.50 to \$4. This leaves to a teacher receiving our maximum salary after paying for board only \$216, out of which she must live for sixteen weeks without pay, dress, pay railroad fares, attend institutes, contribute to numerous charities, etc. At the close of each year we lose our best teachers. If they are worth \$400 a year elsewhere, are they not worth as much, or even more, to us, whose work they understand? It has cost them money and years of study to prepare for their work. Their loss to the schools is greater than \$40 saved in salary. So long as this policy of allowing our best teachers to leave us yearly is continued, so long must our standard of education be below that of other towns to which

they go. The loss of teachers for the year was as follows: Mrs. Emma H. Douglas, Miss Aaria Taylor and Miss Katherine Grey Smith, all from school number six; Miss Florence Bertha Atkins, number four; Miss Anna May Stockwell, number five; and Miss Cora J. Duston, number ten. The new number eight two-room building was formally dedicated in the spring and work began there with the services of an additional teacher, Miss Mabel Miller. In place of those teachers who resigned to go elsewhere there were elected the following: At No. 6, Miss Mayola F. Furber, Miss Florence E. Marsh and Miss Sarah L. Clough; at No. 4, Miss Margaret R. Tracy; at No. 5, Miss May E. Smith; at No. 10, Miss Leron L. Payson. All of the teachers have worked hard to make the year a successful one and have contributed generously of their strength and talent to make our schools better—and they have succeeded.

Mr. Hartwell has given us another year of his very excellent work in music. His report, with tables and statistics for the year ending August 1, 1908, follows.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. WIGNOT,
Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE,
DISTRICT NO. 8.

Received the following:—

Town appropriation,	\$3,750.00
Sale of old school building and furniture,	111.60
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Town treasurer, above the appropriation,	\$3,861.60
Town treasurer above the appropriation,	19.65
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	\$3,881.25
Paid C. A. Martin, contractor,	\$2,967.85
H. H. Smith,	75.00
L. E. Bailey, cellar building and vault,	225.00
American Sealing Co.,	208.20
Allen Tolman Co., furniture,	23.80
Robertson & Sutherland Co., curtains,	33.03
W. M. Forbes & Sons, furnace,	185.00
Boston & Maine, freight,	12.83
C. R. Luce, fencing and grading,	27.40
John Brista, labor,	33.56
A. R. Metzner, cleaning,	3.15
A. E. Weinhold, cleaning,	2.25
E. B. Hall, fence posts,	11.60
E. B. Hall, labor,	49.67
C. Boucher, windows and door frames for cellar,	7.00
Freat Hardware Co., wire fence,	12.30
J. A. McVoy, auctioneer,	2.00
Auction bills,	1.00
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	\$3,881.25

E. B. HALL,
JOHN BRISTA,
Building Committee.

SCHOOL TREASURER.

ACCOUNT No. 8 SCHOOL HOUSE.

DR.

To cash received from former treasurer,	\$247.39
notes,	1,750.00
sale of old school house,	111.60
school board,	19.65
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	\$2,128.64

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By paid orders of building committee and school board,	\$2,128.64
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JAMES EWINS,
School Treasurer.

ACCOUNT OF SCHOOLS.

DR.

To cash from former treasurer,	\$48.65
town of Derry, tuition,	42.50
D. W. Felch, interest,	9.31
town treasurer,	7,473.95
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	\$7,574.41

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By paid orders of school board,	7,574.79
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Balance due treasurer,	.38

JAMES EWINS,
School Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct and properly vouched for.

GEORGE B. NOYES,
WILLIAM H. AYER,
SILAS W. HALL,
Auditors.

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT.

1908.

March 9.	Received from town treasurer,	\$601.73
Paid bills approved by school board as follows:		
March 9.	L. M. Potter,	\$17.33
March 9.	J. E. Wignot,	1.55
March 11.	O. O. Hall,	3.00
March 11.	C. A. Potter (on Nov. 22 pay-roll),	6.00
March 14.	F. M. Roberts,	8.25
March 16.	James Ewins,	1.24
March 19.	J. E. Wignot,	41.66
March 23.	Geo. F. Ring & Co.,	15.60
	Balance due on 1907 account,	18.10
April 6.	Pay-roll of March 6,	440.35
April 17.	J. Ewins, treasurer,	48.65
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		\$601.73
Cash on hand, building fund, per last report,		\$247.39
April 17.	Paid school treasurer,	247.39

BENJAMIN R. WHEELER,

School District Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct and properly vouched for.

GEORGE B. NOYES,

WILLIAM H. AYER,

SILAS W. HALL,

Auditors.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

February 15, 1908, cash on hand,	\$1,948.73
Appropriation by law,	2,715.00

High school tuition,	\$100.00
Insurance,	160.00
Literary fund,	206.01
Rebate on high school tuition,	69.54
Rebate on superintendent's salary,	250.00
Equalization apportionment,	356.68
Interest No. 2 note for 1907 and 1908,	29.36
Interest No. 10 note for 1907 and 1908,	25.82
D. W. Felch, interest No. 3 note,	9.31
Received from Derry for tuition,	42.50
Dog licenses,	265.29
Appropriation, windows, No. 4,	25.00
Appropriation, claim of W. E. Lancaster,	25.00
Appropriation, claim of county commissioners,	76.55
Appropriation, well, No. 8,	125.00
No. 6 school-house note and interest,	624.00
No. 8 school-house, note and interest,	500.00
Appropriation, No. 8 school-house,	350.00
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	\$7,903.79
Overdraw,	.38
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	\$7,904.17

SCHOOL BOARD.

The amount expended for school purposes is divided as follows:

Teachers,	\$3,663.00
Janitors,	494.97
Music,	169.80
Conveyance,	273.40
Express,	11.14
Supplies, school fund,	46.48
Fuel,	344.14
Repairs,	92.38

Miscellaneous,	\$17.90
Superintendent,	458.34
Insurance,	235.00
Tuition,	176.67
Enumeration,	12.00
Furnishings,	11.01
Books bought prior to vote of last appropriation,	75.07
Well at No. 8,	124.50
Claim of W. E. Lancaster,	25.00
Windows, No. 4,	19.42
County commissioners,	76.55
No. 6, note and interest,	624.00
No. 8, note and interest,	500.00
No. 8, school appropriation,	350.00
Interest on No. 8 notes,	83.75
Amount overdrawn by No. 8 building committee,	19.65
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	\$7,904.17

WILLIAM A. TURNER,
 CHARLES E. MERRILL,
School Board of Salem, N. H.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct and properly vouched for.

GEO. B. NOYES,
 WILLIAM H. AYER,
 SILAS W. HALL,
Auditors.

STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1, 1908.

Number of weeks in school year,	38
Number of different schools,	12
Number of school buildings in use,	8

Number of different teachers employed,	13
Total enrollment,	323
Boys,	160
Girls,	163
Average membership,	279.35
Average attendance,	241.01
Average absence,	38.34
Pupils under five years of age,	0
Pupils between five and sixteen years of age,	322
Number of cases of tardiness,	798
Number of pupils who attended high school whose tuition is paid by town,	0
Number of pupils who attended academies whose tuition is paid by town,	1
Average wages of teachers per month,	\$36
Number of normal graduates teaching during year,	4
Number of teachers employed who are not academy or high school graduates,	0

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

For the Year—George Cole, Harold Hadley, Mildred Hadley, Patrick Sullivan, Ernest Hadley, Carrie M. Gibson, Ernest E. Shaw, Walter Foote, Peter Sullivan.

For One Term—Walter A. Vartanian, Rachel K. Kelley, Eva Vartanian, Lavington Judge Dyson, Raymond Magan Dyson, Mary Lee Butler, Seranoosh Krikorian, Harry Joyce, Herbert Clark, Edwin C. Harris, Rena French, Annie Gross, Myrtle Phifield, Charles Pattee, Richard K. Bodwell, Isabella L. Adams, Elena W. Smith, Mildred J. Smith, Agnes McAskill, Anna C. Johnson, Vivian Richardson, Esther L. Woodbury, Clarence O. Woodbury, Editha Perry, Ethel Woodbury, Warren Hartwell, Marion French, Harold Buxton, William Cole.

For Two Terms—Lena E. Hastings, Arthur Call, Gertrude Kimball, John Sullivan, Arlene Peabody, Lester Kimball, Alice M. Benjamin, Gladys F. Palmer, Charles W. Belmer, Frank W. V. Richardson, Viola Williams, Earl Clark, Harry Knight, Mildred Cole.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Schools.	No. I. Grades 1-4.			No. II. Grades 5-9.			No. III.			No. IV.			No. V.			No. VI. Grades 1-2.			No. VI. Grades 3-5.			No. VI. Grades 6-9.			No. VIII.			No. IX.			No. X.		
	Maud H. Wheeler.	Maud H. Wheeler.	Maud H. Wheeler.	Elizabeth E. Brown.	Elizabeth E. Brown.	Elsie A. Silver.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Katherine G. Smith.	Katherine G. Smith.	Aaria Mae Taylor.	Aaria Mae Taylor.	Aaria Mae Taylor.	Emma H. Douglass.	Emma H. Douglass.	Emma H. Douglass.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Eliza S. Getchell.	Eliza S. Getchell.	Eliza S. Getchell.	Cora J. Duston.	Cora J. Duston.
Teachers.																																	
Terms.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.
No. of weeks.....	12	12	14	12	11	14	12	14	13	11	14	13	12	13	13	12	13	13	12	13	13	13	13	12	13	13	13	13	13	13	12	13	13
No. of pupils.....	37	36	39	29	31	21	28	24	24	28	24	24	9	13	12	26	27	26	26	34	35	32	32	31	32	46	46	22	20	20	14	15	15
Boys.....	17	16	18	15	15	11	11	14	12	14	12	12	9	12	12	13	13	12	12	13	21	19	20	9	11	18	10	10	9	8	8	8	
Girls.....	20	20	21	16	16	9	9	10	14	14	12	12	....	1	....	11	13	14	14	21	14	13	12	22	21	28	12	10	11	6	7	7	
Average attendance....	31	29	33	30	27	15	13	16	21	20	21	7	8	7	20	18	21	24	26	30	29	28	27	24	43	43	18	17	16	12	11	12	
Average absence.....	3	6	4	1	1	2	5	3	4	4	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	3	7	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	

Average membership.....	35	36	37	31	29	29	18	18	20	25	24	22	7	10	10	21	20	23	25	28	31	31	32	30	31	32	46	19	18	18	13	12	12
Per cent. of attendance.....	89	81	87	96	93	89	86	71	84	83	81	92	89	82	78	96	89	98	96	89	94	96	91	90	90	77	93	92	91	89	91	89	97
No. of cases of tardiness ..	4	7	3	8	11	12	42	57	33	5	40	2	17	13	27	40	36	57	37	34	30	38	34	35	17	34	10	8	9	25	20	25	
No. visits by superintendent	10	8	8	8	9	8	4	6	4	4	4	2	5	6	4	3	12	10	6	17	9	6	19	11	6	4	5	5	4	4	3	4	
No. visits by school board..	1	3	1	1	3	1	.....	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	4	3	3	3	3	4	3	2	1	2	2	1	2	1	1	3	1
Visits by parents and others	33	30	56	24	35	20	2	2	4	9	17	17	4	6	14	22	25	19	14	12	18	23	22	21	5	14	20	12	15	39	10	14	12
Wages of teacher per month	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$32	\$32	\$32	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$32	\$32	\$32	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$46	\$46	\$32	\$32	\$32	\$32

VITAL STATISTICS.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF SALEM: In compliance with an act of the Legislature passed June session, 1877, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the records of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the annual report," I submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SALEM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1908.

Date of birth.	Name of child (if any).	Sex and condition.		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Color of parents.	Residence of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.
		Male.	Female.							
Jan. 9	Emilus Allen.....	M.	.....	W. Alfred H. Morse.....	Sadie Allen.....	W.	Salem.....	Store clerk...	Londonderry...	Rochester.
Feb. 11	Emma Elizabeth.....	.....	F.	Frank Ryerson.....	Hattie Pollard.....	"	"	Carpenter...	Nova Scotia...	Fall River, Ms.
" 16	.....	M.	.....	John Louis Dussault...	Nettie Edna Kelley...	"	"	Laborer...	Haverhill, Ms...	Salem.
" 24	Blanche Louise.....	.....	F.	Henry W. Sanborn.....	Annie J. Charles.....	"	"	Motorian...	St. Albans, Vt...	Nova Scotia.
Mar. 28	Gladys Imogene.....	.....	.....	Walter D. Robie.....	Fannie M. Lundberg...	"	"	Sawmill bus...	Meduen, Mass.	Salem.
" 10	James Birthea.....	M.	.....	James Sleeper.....	Annie McPhail.....	"	"	Machinist...	Sandown.....	Scotland.
" 28	Lillian May.....	.....	F.	Albert J. McClarty.....	Agnes B. Kennedy.....	"	"	Conductor...	Dunham, P. Q.	Quebec.
" 29	Lillian Woodbury...	.....	.....	Robert W. Copeland...	Annie P. Rand.....	"	"	Laborer...	Nova Scotia...	Raymond.
Apr. 13	Lee.....	M.	.....	Charles C. Norris.....	Carrie F. Woodbury...	"	"	Shoe cutter...	Salem.....	Salem.
" 30	Annie.....	M.	.....	Manoog Peters.....	Dora Garabedian...	"	"	Purchas. agt...	Hartland, Vt...	Salem.
May 2	.....	M.	.....	George M. Woodbury...	Mary E. Gordon.....	"	"	Farmer.....	Turkey.	Turkey.
June 1	Harriet Louise.....	.....	F.	Garabed Matorian...	Annie Hagopian.....	"	"	Shoe cutter...	S. Epping.....	Toronto, Can.
" 25	Olive Emma.....	.....	F.	Everett C. Drury.....	Helen V. Brooks.....	"	"	Laborer.....	Salem.....	Lawrence, Ms.
Sept. 1	.....	M.	.....	Orrin C. Reed.....	Oliver E. Beaudin...	"	"	Teamster.....	Turkey.....	Turkey.
" 7	Alice.....(zoom)	.....	F.	Paul Kirkerian.....	Hazel Hargopian.....	"	"	Farmer.....	S. Boston, Mass.	Dorchester, Ms.
Oct. 5	Gurken Hampart...	M.	.....	Hampart'zm Garabed...	Bohar Marderosian...	"	"	"	Turkey.....	Turkey.
" 18	Modesse Noi.....	"	.....	Modesse Lamontagne...	Mary Landry.....	"	"	"	Canada.....	Canada.

Nov. 14	Dorothy Aubine.	.....	F.	L.	1	W.	Garfield A. Morrill.....	Bessie Mand Kezer..	W.	Salem.....	Motorman.....	Waysmills, Can Barre, Vt.
" 29	Marion Louise.	.....	.....	S.	2	"	Aaron Alexander.....	Mabel Cole.....	"	"	Electrician...	Lawrence, Ms. Salem.
Dec. 7	Arthur Wilbur.	.....	F.	L.	1	"	Irven W. Felch.....	Lillian B. Silver.....	"	"	Carpenter...	Salem.....
" 11	Arthur Wilbur.	.....	.....	"	2	"	Lee O. Husell.....	Florence M. White...	"	"	Shoemaker...	Nova Scotia... N. Brunswick.
" 15	Raymond Franklin.	.....	.....	"	3	"	Frank E. Lundberg....	Emma P. Reill.....	"	"	Farmer.....	Salem..... Ashuelot.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DANIEL A. ABBOTT, *Town Clerk.*

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SALEM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1908.

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age.	Color.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation.	Marriage.	Name, residence and official station of person by whom married.
Jan. 1	Salem.	Robert S. Povah.....	Worcester, Mass.	47	W.	Sign painter..	Boston, Mass.	Robert Povah..... Helen Sheehy.....	England..... Ireland.....	Machinist.....	1	Rev. H. E. Allen,
" 4	"	Sarah Morrison.....	Worcester, Mass.	48	"	Housekeeper.	Scotland.....	John Ballach..... Jessie Rose.....	Scotland..... " [Mass.].....	Retired.....	2	Salem.
" 4	"	John W. Plaisted....	Worcester, Mass.	22	"	Teacher.....	Worcester, Mass.	S. Wallace Plaisted Lois H. Wheeler..	Worcester, Mass.	Grocer.....	1	Rev. H. E. Allen,
Feb. 1	"	Susie M. Lewis.....	Cambridge, Mass.	24	"	At home	Cambridge, Mass.	Charles J. Lewis... Anna A. Nourse...	Boston, Mass.	Salesman.....	1	Salem.
Mar. 16	"	John P. Quinn.....	So. Grove-land, Mass.	22	"	Shoemaker....	Lowell, Mass.	John P. Quinn.... Ann Degan.....	Ireland.....	Barber.....	1	Rev. H. E. Allen,
"	"	Irene E. Bateman....	Georgetown, Mass.	18	"	Housekeeper.	Haverhill, Mass.	Charles H. Bateman Elizabeth Cleary..	Dover.....	Architect.....	1	Salem.
"	"	John H. Ells.....	Boston, Mass.	35	"	Lawyer.....	Bridgeport, Conn.	Osmer H. Ells..... Margaret M. Duffy	Connecticut..	Painter.....	1	Benj. R. Wheeler,
April 4	"	A. Grace Borgal.....	Boston, Mass.	29	"	Nurse.....	Nova Scotia.	John Borgal..... Lucy Davidson.....	Ireland.....	Carpenter.....	1	J. P., Salem
" 22	Brattleboro Vt.,	Lazar Donabedian...	Boston, Mass.	22	"	Shoemaker....	Turkey.....	Marked "..... Donabedian.....	Turkey.....	Farmer.....	1	Rev. Wm. Ganley,
" 22	Brattleboro Vt.,	Eugene A. Goodwin..	Newburyport, Mass.	21	"	At home	Turkey.....	Marked "..... Avedis Vartanian..	".....	Farmer.....	1	Salem
" 22	Brattleboro Vt.,	Hannah A. Mitchell.	"	55	"	Clergyman....	Turkey.....	Mary Hagopian... Elliot Goodwin...	".....	Farmer.....	2	Rev. H. A. Mitchell,
" 22	Brattleboro Vt.,	James W. Jackman...	Kennebunk, Me.	44	"	.....	Salem.....	Polly Hall..... Wm. H. Mitchell..	Amesbury, Ms. Salem.... [Me.]	.....	1	Brattleboro, Vt.
May 20	Salem.....	Charlotte F. Adams...	Topsfield, Mass.	..	"	.....	Kennebunk, Me.	Emily A. Littlefield Wells, Me.	Kennebunk, Me.	.....	..	W. DuBos Pulver,
June 17	"	Ralph W. Sawyer...	Amesbury, Mass.	..	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	J. P., Salem.
"	"	Ethel W. Dean.....	Lawrence, Mass.	23	"	Clerk.....	Lawrence, Mass.	Martin R. Sawyer.. Martha Wainwright	Porter, Me.	Engineer.....	1	Rev. C. G. Robbins,
"	"	"	Lawrence, Mass.	24	"	At home ...	Lawrence, Mass.	William W. Dean... Rebecca Sager.....	Lawrence, Ms. ".....	Lumber busi-ness.....	1	Lawrence, Mass.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SALEM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1908.

Date of death.	Name and surname of the deceased.	Age.			Place of birth.		Sex and condition.		Occupation.	Place of birth.		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	
		Years.	Months.	Days.	Sex.		Color.	Father.		Mother.				
					Single.	Widowed.								
Jan. 6	Blanche M. Nichols.....	24	6	21	Salem.....	F.	W.	S.	Retired.....	Methuen, Mass.....	Salem.....	John C. Nichols....	Stella R. Ayer.	
" 14	Charles Rockwood.....	85	8	15	Groton, Mass.....	M.	W.	W.	Housewife.....	Groton, Mass.....	Groton.....	Sewall Rockwood....	Lucy Moors.	
" 31	Mary O'Connell.....	46	3		Ireland.....	F.	"	W.	Farmer.....	Ireland.....	Ireland.....	John O'Connell.....	Sarah Elliott.	
Feb. 22	Benjamin Elliott Chase.....	84	6	3	Pittsfield.....	M.	"	W.	Farmer and car.....	Amesbury, Ms.....	Newburypt, Ms.....	Isaac Chase.....	Sophronia Taylor.	
" 23	John W. Taylor.....	78	11	7	Roxbury, Me.....	F.	"	W.	"	Knox, Me.....	Maine.....	William Kingsbury....		
" 29	Mary Augusta Woodbury.....	82	2	27	Needham, Mass.....	M.	"	W.	Blacksmith.....	Needham, Ms.....	Needham, Ms.....	Harbard N. Frost.....	Almeda J. Benton.	
Mar. 18	Leonard Sumner Frost.....	61	10	14	Dover.....	F.	"	W.	Retired.....	Dunham, P. Q.....	Quebec, P. Q.....	Albert J. McClarty....	Agnes B. Kennedy.	
" 30	McCarty.....	63	10	15	Salem.....	F.	"	W.	"	Methuen, Mass.....	Methuen, Mass.....	Ebenezer Duston.....	Charlotte Gage.	
Apr. 9	Ebenezer Duston.....	83	9		Franklin.....	M.	"	W.	Shoemaker.....	Methuen, Mass.....	Fram'gh'm, Ms.....	Rodney C. Woodbury....	Betsy Allen.	
" 9	Jane A. Gibbs.....	24	3	8	Salem.....	M.	"	M.	"	Atkinson.....	Roxbury, Mass.....	Abner Merriek.....	Har't E. Blackburn.	
" 30	Adaline H. Merrick.....	64	9	1	".....	F.	"	S.	"	".....	".....	".....	Eliza Nightengale.	
" 36	John Johnson.....	36			".....	M.	"	M.	"	Lebanon, Me.....	Milton.....	Thomas Corson.....	Eliza Sewett.	
May 8	Caroline Parlin.....	79	5	20	Haverhill, Mass.....	F.	W.	M.	Manager.....	Haverhill, Ms.....	New Hampshire.....	Edward E. Fairbanks....	Abigail Moody.	
July 5	Ralph E. Fairbanks.....	32	7	3	".....	M.	"	S.	Wheelwright.....	Germany.....	".....	August Lachmuth.....	Phoebe Wyman.	
" 13	Rudolph Lachmuth.....	29			Ersdorf, Ger.....	"	"	"	"	Windham.....	New Hampshire.....	Amos Rolfe.....		
" 15	George N. Rolfe.....	76	3	16	Windham.....	"	"	"	Housewife.....	".....	".....	".....		
Aug. 2	Bell Annis.....	40			".....	F.	"	"	"	".....	".....	".....		
" 14	Henrietta B. Pattee.....	65	9	25	Danville.....	F.	"	"	"	Danville.....	".....	Lyman B. George.....	Eliza Houghton.	
" 15	Robert W. Rulison.....	9	1	13	Colorado Springs, Col.....	M.	"	S.	"	Burlingame, Ks.....	Cambridge, Ms.....	Frank C. Rulison.....	Rob'ta E. Woodland.	
Sept. 4	Henry Azerian.....	1	6	3	".....	"	"	"	"	Turkey.....	".....	Frankin Avenian.....	Mary Oshaian.	
Oct. 13	Gurken H. Garabedian.....	8			Salem.....	"	"	"	Trav. salesman.....	".....	".....	Hamp'tz'm Garabed.....	Bukar Marderosian.	
Nov. 13	Joseph Nichols.....	85			England.....	"	"	"	"	Lawrence, Ms.....	Salem.....	Aaron O. Alexander.....	Mabel Cole.	
" 29	Alexander.....				Salem.....	"	"	"	"	".....	".....	".....	".....	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DANIEL A. ABBOTT, Town Clerk.

PERMITS ISSUED FOR THE INTERMENT OF DECEASED PERSONS FROM OTHER PLACES FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1908.

Name of deceased.	Place of death.	Place of interment.	Name of cemetery.	Date of death.	Age.	
					Years.	Mos. Days.
Emma L. Abbott.....	Bristol.....	Salem.....	Pine Grove.....	Jan. 6, 1908	48	6
Mary Cluff.....	Methuen, Mass.....	".....	".....	Jan. 12, 1908	75	8
Lydia C. Foster.....	Wilmington, Del.....	".....	".....	Jan. 18, 1908	82	5
George G. Gordon.....	Chicago, Ill.....	".....	".....	Jan. 23, 1908	46	8
George W. Lowell.....	Methuen, Mass.....	".....	".....	Feb. 29, 1908	74	1
Jedediah C. Emerson.....	Lawrence, Mass.....	".....	".....	April 3, 1908	66	12
Harriet A. Manning.....	Lynn, Mass.....	".....	".....	May 12, 1908	40	11
Susan Baldwin.....	Lawrence, Mass.....	".....	".....	May 23, 1908	68	4
Harriet M. Frost.....	Haverhill, Mass.....	".....	".....	June 6, 1908	68	6
Abbie B. Haines.....	Haverhill, Mass.....	".....	".....	Aug. 12, 1908	88	5
Levi L. Fletcher.....	Hollis, Me.....	".....	".....	Aug. 26, 1908	64	15
Edward Glynn.....	Wauwatosa, Wis.....	".....	".....	Sept. 13, 1908	61	8
Grace May Green.....	Warwick, R. I.....	".....	Mt. Pleasant.....	Oct. 7, 1908	14	.....
Samuel Emery Jones.....	Bradford, Mass.....	".....	Pine Grove.....	Oct. 9, 1908	67	2
David S. Wardwell.....	Tewksbury, Mass.....	".....	".....	Dec. 1, 1908	56	23
Mary Lizzie Austin.....	Holbrook, Mass.....	".....	".....	Dec. 14, 1908	64	7
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I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DANIEL A. ABBOTT, *Town Clerk.*

PERMITS ISSUED FOR THE REMOVAL OF BODIES OF DECEASED PERSONS TO OTHER PLACES FOR
INTERMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1908.

Name of deceased.	Place of death.	Place of interment.	Date of death.	Age.		
				Years.	Mos.	Days.
Charles Rockwood.....	Salem.....	Groton, Mass.....	Jan. 14, 1908	85	3	15
Mary O'Conner.....	".....	Haverhill, Mass.	Jan. 31, 1908	46	3	.....
Leonard Sumner Frost.....	".....	Georgetown, Mass.	March 18, 1908	61	10	14
McClarty.....	".....	Manchester,	March 30, 1908	.....	.....	.....
John Johnson.....	".....	Lawrence, Mass.	April,	36	.....	.....
Caroline Parlin.....	".....	Milton,	May 8, 1908	79	5	20
Ralph E. Fairbanks.....	".....	Haverhill, Mass.	July 5, 1908	32	7	8
Rudolph Lachmuth.....	".....	Lawrence, Mass.	July 13, 1908	22	.....	.....
Harry Ayerlan.....	".....	Lawrence, Mass.	Sept. 4, 1908	1	6	8
Gurkew Hampartzoom Garabedian.....	".....	Lawrence, Mass.	Oct. 13, 1908	.....	.....	8

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DANIEL A. ABBOTT, *Town Clerk.*

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